



SHIFTERS

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ISSUE 1

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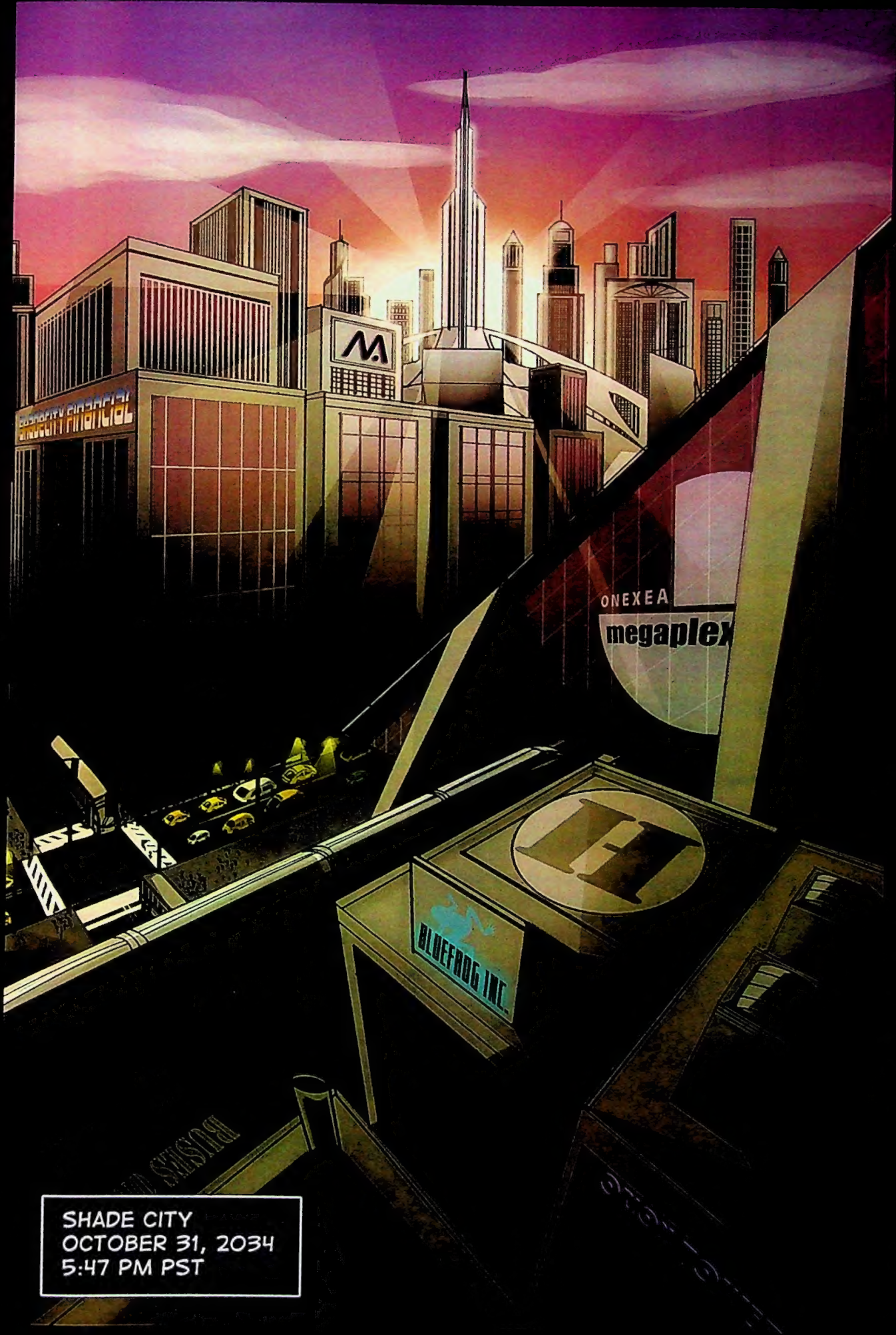
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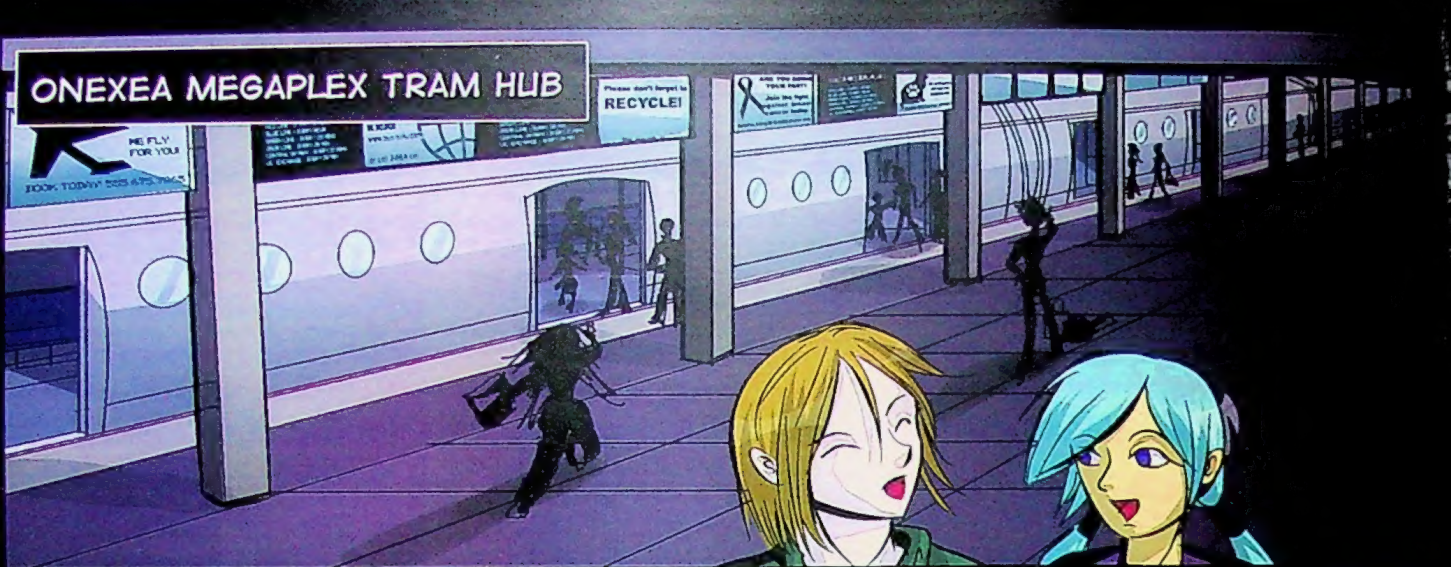
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10 BLOCKS FROM THE MEGAPLEX

I'M SO LATE!



WHY DOES
THIS STUFF ALWAYS
HAPPEN WHEN
I'M LATE?




OH CRAP!
THIS WASN'T
HERE A MONTH
AGO!



UH OH,
DEAD END.

LOOKS LIKE
SOMEONE MADE
A WRONG TURN.



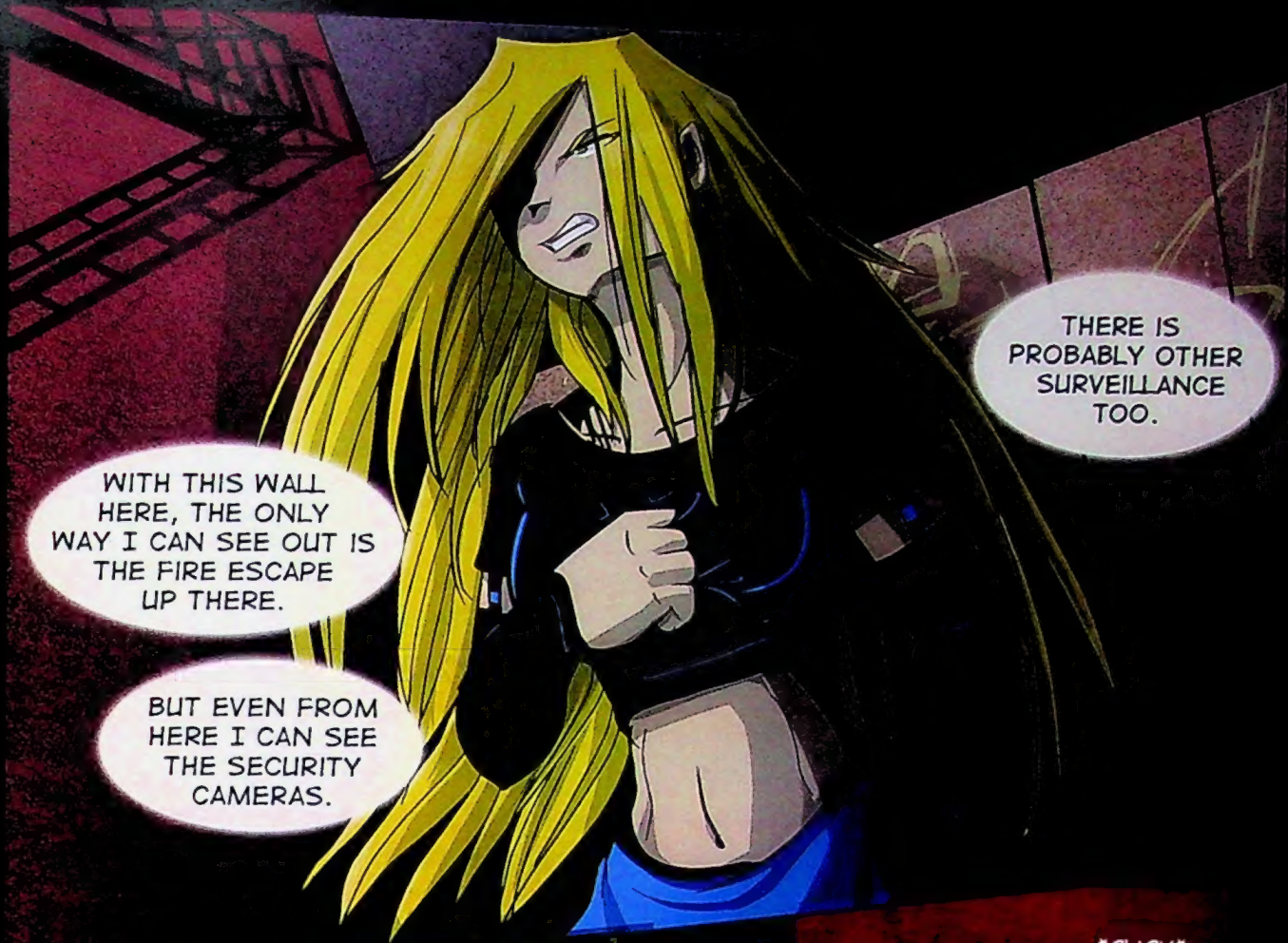


I'LL BE NICE AND
ASK ONE MORE TIME,
GIRLIE. **HAND OVER
THE NECKLACE.**

I TOLD
YOU TO EAT
SHIT AND DIE,
SCUM.

I'M NOT SURE
IF YOU UNDERSTAND
YOUR POSITION HERE,
SHIFTER. SEE, IF YOU
DON'T HAND OVER
THAT TRINKET...


I'M GOING TO
HAVE TO LET MY
FRIENDS MAKE AN
EXAMPLE OUT
OF YOU.



WITH THIS WALL
HERE, THE ONLY
WAY I CAN SEE OUT IS
THE FIRE ESCAPE
UP THERE.

BUT EVEN FROM
HERE I CAN SEE
THE SECURITY
CAMERAS.


THERE IS
PROBABLY OTHER
SURVEILLANCE
TOO.



I DIDN'T WANT
TO USE THIS,
IT HELPS THEM
AS MUCH AS IT
HELPS ME...

BUT IT
DOESN'T LOOK
LIKE I HAVE
MUCH CHOICE

CLICK



I CAN'T
JAM THE
SYSTEM
LONG.

BEEP!



I'VE GOT
FIVE MINUTES.



SHIFTING QUICKLY
WON'T HELP YOU.
YOUR *SPIRITWAKE* IS
THE *WEAKEST* I'VE
EVER FELT. IT
WOULDN'T *STOP*
A *FLEA*.





WHO SAID

ANYTHING

ABOUT-





STOPPING?!



HOLY SHIT!
SHE USED
HER SPIRITWAKE
TO JUMP!



WHEW!
THAT WAS
WAY TOO
CLOSE.



CAT SHIFTERS
CAN DO THAT?

HOW SHOULD I
KNOW? DO I LOOK
LIKE A VET?

A VET IS
FOR ANIMALS
ONLY, MORON.

IT WAS A
JOKE, DAMN IT.



WHY ARE YOU
NIMRODS STILL
STANDING THERE?


GET AFTER HER!

BUT THE
SECURITY
CAMERAS...






LOOK KARMA,
I THINK WE--




THINK?! I DON'T
PAY YOU TO THINK, X.

I PAY YOU TO
KICK ASSES, AND
THE ASS I WANT KICKED
IS **GETTING AWAY**.



OKAY, FINE.
WE'RE GOING
ALREADY.

FUCKING
DOUCHEBAG.




I'M SORRY
MISTRESS. GOOD
HELP IS HARD
TO FIND.

YES, I KNOW
WE HAVE TO DEAL
WITH THIS **BEFORE** SHE
GETS SOMEWHERE
TOO PUBLIC.



IF THAT HAPPENS...




AND NOW THE NEWS
BEFORE THE HOUR WITH THE
CHANNEL 11 NEWS TEAM!


WE'LL GO TO PLAN B.



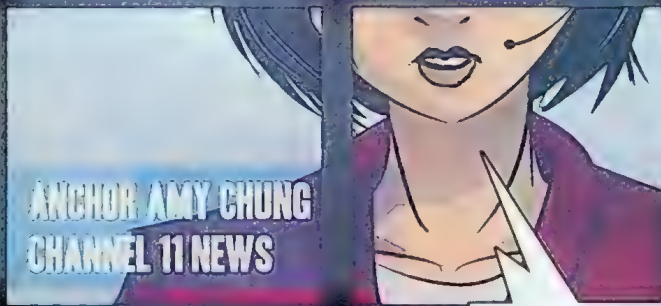
GOOD EVENING.
I'M AMY CHUNG.



OUR TOP STORY TONIGHT:
CHANNEL 11 COVERS THE
RASH OF KILLINGS PLAGUING
THE UNDERCITY POLICE
DEPARTMENT.




STATE FUNERALS WERE HELD EARLIER
THIS WEEK FOR THREE SLAIN OFFICERS
INCLUDING *OFFICER ALEX SHERRY*,
SON OF *POLICE CHIEF JOHN SHERRY*.
ALLEGEDLY THEY WERE KILLED WHILE
INVESTIGATING GANG ACTIVITY
RELATED TO THE NEW DESIGNER
DRUG, *PINK THRILL*.




ANCHOR AMY CHUNG
CHANNEL 11 NEWS

A PRIVATE SERVICE FOR
OFFICER SHERRY WAS
HELD TODAY AT REDLAND
FUNERAL HOME IN THE
KENTON DISTRICT.



WE NOW
GO LIVE TO
SVEN LINGAR AT
THE REDLAND
FUNERAL HOME.



OH CRAP! I
TOTALLY FORGOT
ALICE'S BROTHER'S
MEMORIAL WAS
TODAY!

ALICE IS
PRACTICALLY
NEVER LATE.
MAYBE SHE
ISN'T COMING.

SHE MIGHT
STILL BE TOO
BROKEN UP
ABOUT ALEX.

HMM. I
DON'T HAVE
THE NUMBER
FOR HER
NEW CELL.

I'LL GIVE
HER FIVE
MORE
MINUTES.



IN THE
MEANTIME
I'LL KEEP
MYSELF
BUSY.



YAY
BIRTHDAY
PRESENT!
I HOPE IT'S
SOMETHING
GOOD.

ALMOST THERE,
JUST A FEW MORE
MINUTES...



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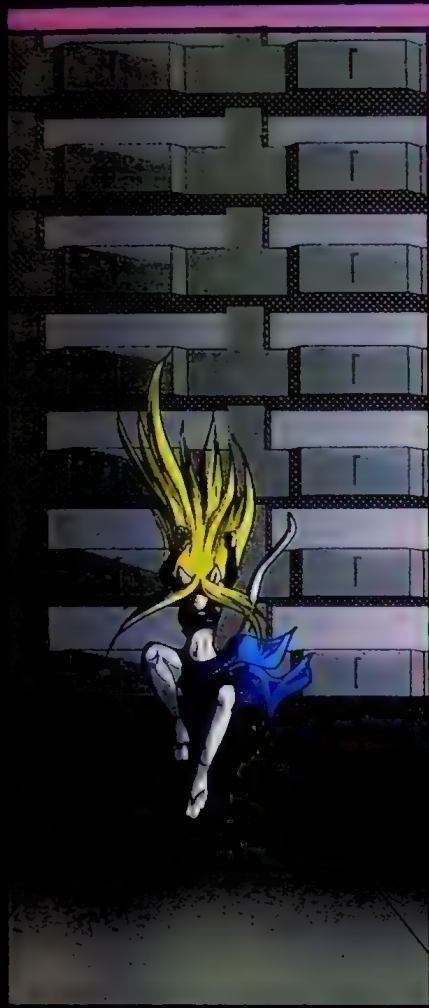


WHERE'D
SHE GO?

OVER THERE!

SCREW THIS
NOISE. I'M *DONE*
BEING NICE TO
THIS HAIRBALL.

OUTTA MY
WAY BOYS.
I'M GONNA SKIN
ME A CAT.



THAT WAS TOO CLOSE
BUT I THINK I...

"PANT"
"PANT"



HANDS UP
PUDDYTAT.

HOW DID
YOU...?

VAMPIRES ARE
FAST. DUH. SO
FORK OVER THE
NECKLACE BEFORE
MY FINGER
GETS TWITCHY.



HEY X,
WHAT DID I
TELL YOU?



I TOLD YOU TO
KICK HER ASS
NOT CAP HER ASS.



WHAT'S THE RULE
ABOUT GUNS, X?



BUT KARMA ---

GUNS SUMMON
COPS. COPS ARE
A PROBLEM.

NO EXCUSES
AND NO GUNS.

UM...SHE'S
RUNNING
AWAY AGAIN.



SHE WON'T
GET FAR.



AFTER ALL,
THERE'S NOWHERE
TO GO....

BUT DOWN.



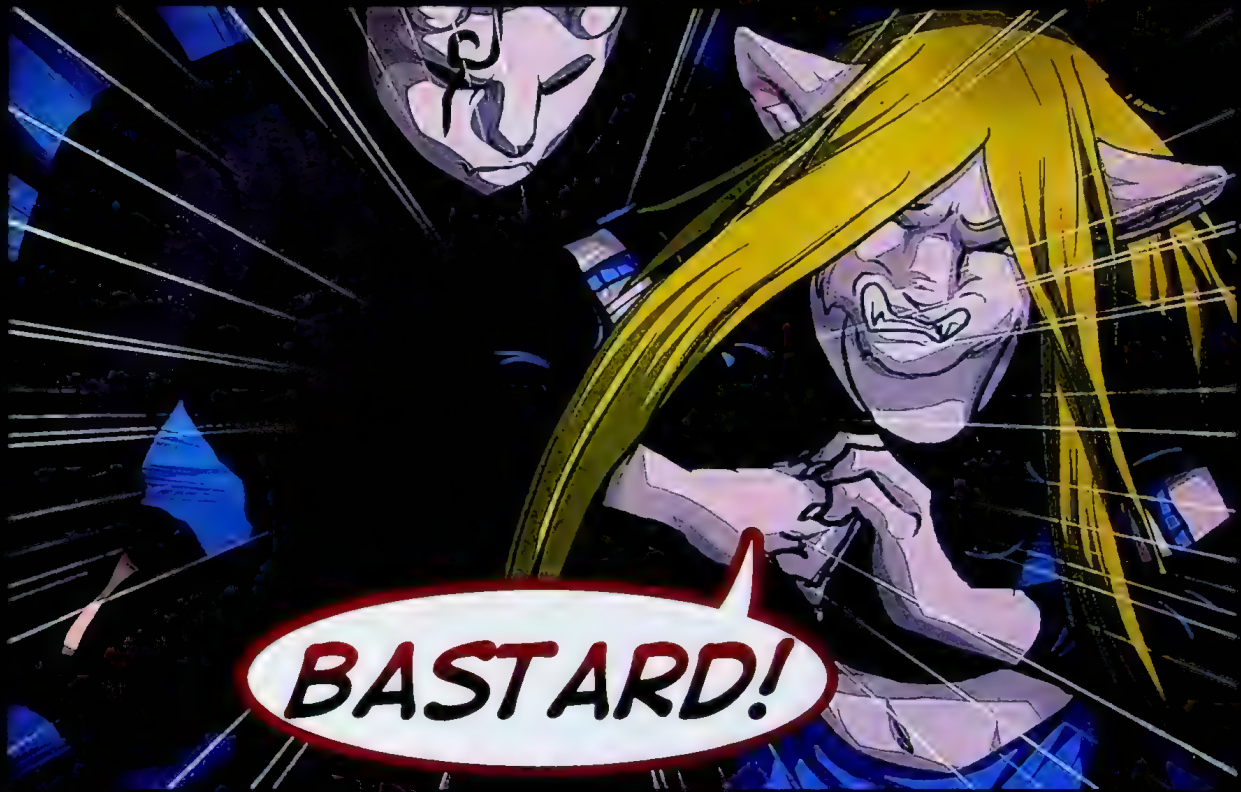
OH SHIT,
IT'S FURTHER THAN
I THOUGHT.



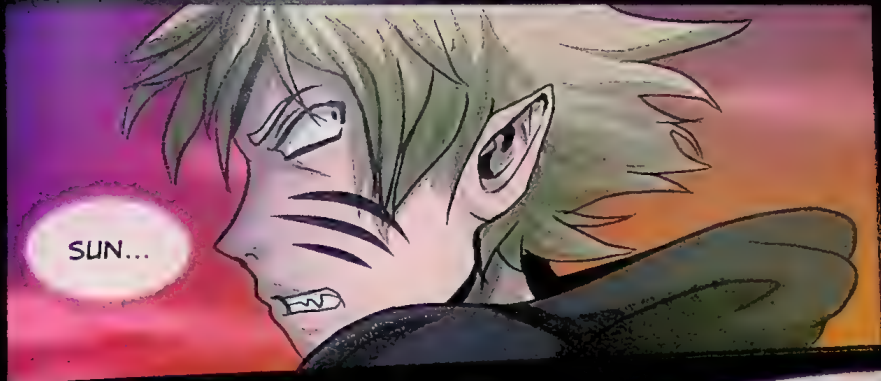
YOU AREN'T
THINKING ABOUT
JUMPING, ARE
YOU KITTY?

I KNOW CATS
LAND ON THEIR FEET
AND ALL, BUT I THINK THAT
MIGHT BE PUSHING THE
MYTH JUST A LITTLE.

NOW, GIVE ME
THE NECKLACE AND
YOU CAN TAKE THE
ELEVATOR. WHAT
DO YOU SAY?







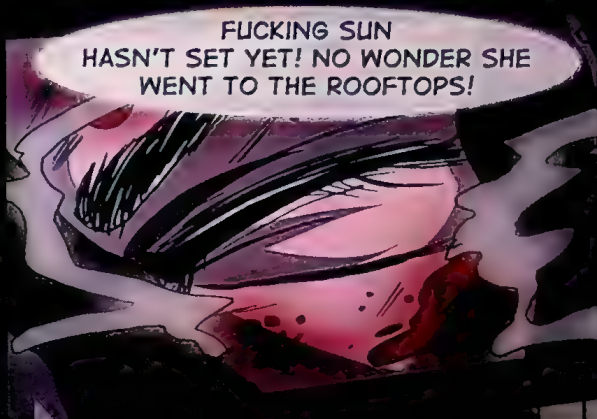
SUN...



LIGHT?



YAAARRRRHHGG!!

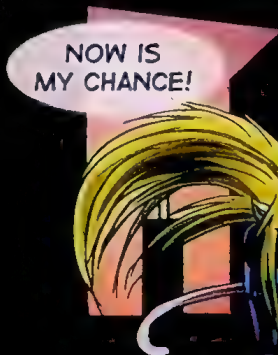


FUCKING SUN
HASN'T SET YET! NO WONDER SHE
WENT TO THE ROOFTOPS!

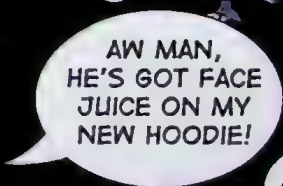


HURRY!
COVER HIM!

BURNS! BURNS!
FUCK! OW! SHIT!



NOW IS
MY CHANCE!




AW MAN,
HE'S GOT FACE
JUICE ON MY
NEW HOODIE!



LEAST OF
OUR PROBLEMS
MACK.





SO WHAT ARE
WE SUPPOSED TO
DO NOW?

IT'S NOT
LIKE WE DON'T
KNOW WHERE
SHE'S GOING.

GO CATCH
HER. DUH.

STRUAL: + 12.54 = EURO UNION EXCHANGE

OH
WOW! THE
B-HORROR
CLASSICS
ROBOVAMP
AND *LOST*
MUMMY OF
CADABRA!

NIKKI ALWAYS
GETS ME THE BEST
BIRTHDAY GIFTS.

HEY PUP.



LOOK, I DON'T HAVE A LOT OF TIME, SO PAY ATTENTION.

THINGS ARE A LITTLE UNUSUAL TONIGHT.



SO IF YOU GET INTO TROUBLE, TAKE THE HAND.



GOT IT?



YOU ARE SMASHING HOT.

WANNA GO FOR COFFEE?



HEYYY,
LOOK, IT'S
YOUR FRIEND!



I'M HERE!
I HOPE YOU WEREN'T
WAITING TOO LONG!



I ***WAS*** BEGINNING
TO WONDER. YOU
COULD HAVE CALLED
YOU KNOW.



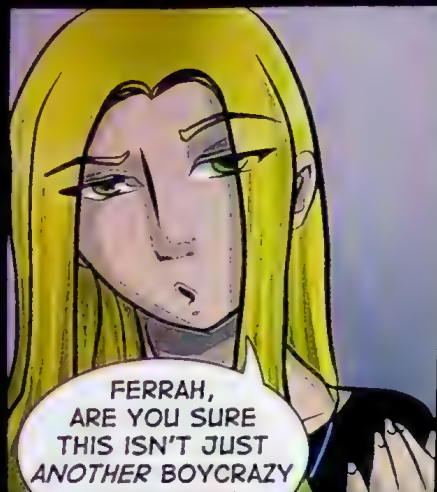
YEAH, SORRY.

FORGOT
MY CELL
AT HOME.

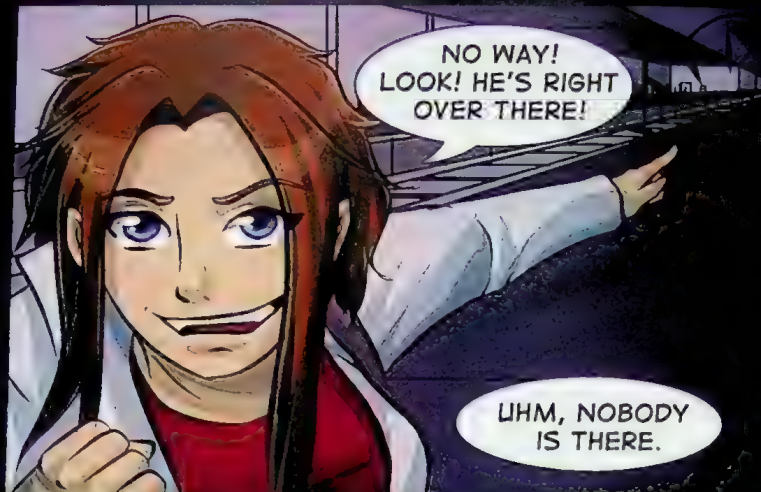


WELL, IT'S
OKAY. THIS
SUPER HOT
GUY KEPT ME
COMPANY.

WHAT
"SUPER HOT
GUY"?

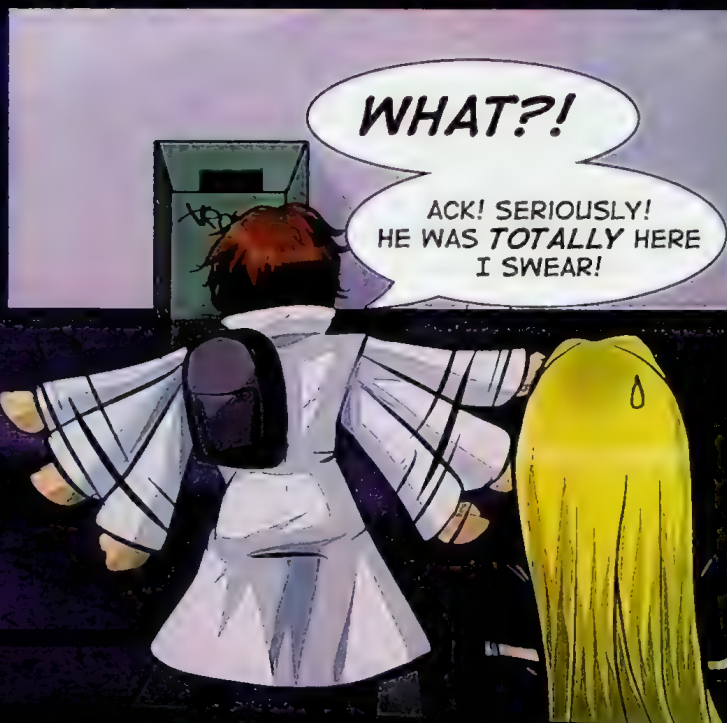


FERRAH,
ARE YOU SURE
THIS ISN'T JUST
ANOTHER BOYCRAZY
DAYDREAM?



NO WAY!
LOOK! HE'S RIGHT
OVER THERE!

UHM, NOBODY
IS THERE.



WHAT?!

ACK! SERIOUSLY!
HE WAS **TOTALLY** HERE
I SWEAR!



SURE
HE WAS...



COME ON!
WE GOTTA
HURRY!



WHAT?
WHY?

I'M LATE
REMEMBER?
WE GOTTA
CATCH THE
TRAIN!





THAT COCKY FELINE!

HOW DARE SHE MOCK ME LIKE THIS!

SHUT YER PIE HOLE AND GO BUY US TRAM PASSES.


PEOPLE ARE STARING.

IN ALL FAIRNESS, IT ISN'T HARD.

WHAT? WHY?




WE'RE FLIPPIN' VAMPIRES! WHY DO WE HAVE TO PAY FOR PUBLIC TRANSIT?



LOOK, I KNOW YOU'RE NEW X...

SO JUST LISTEN.

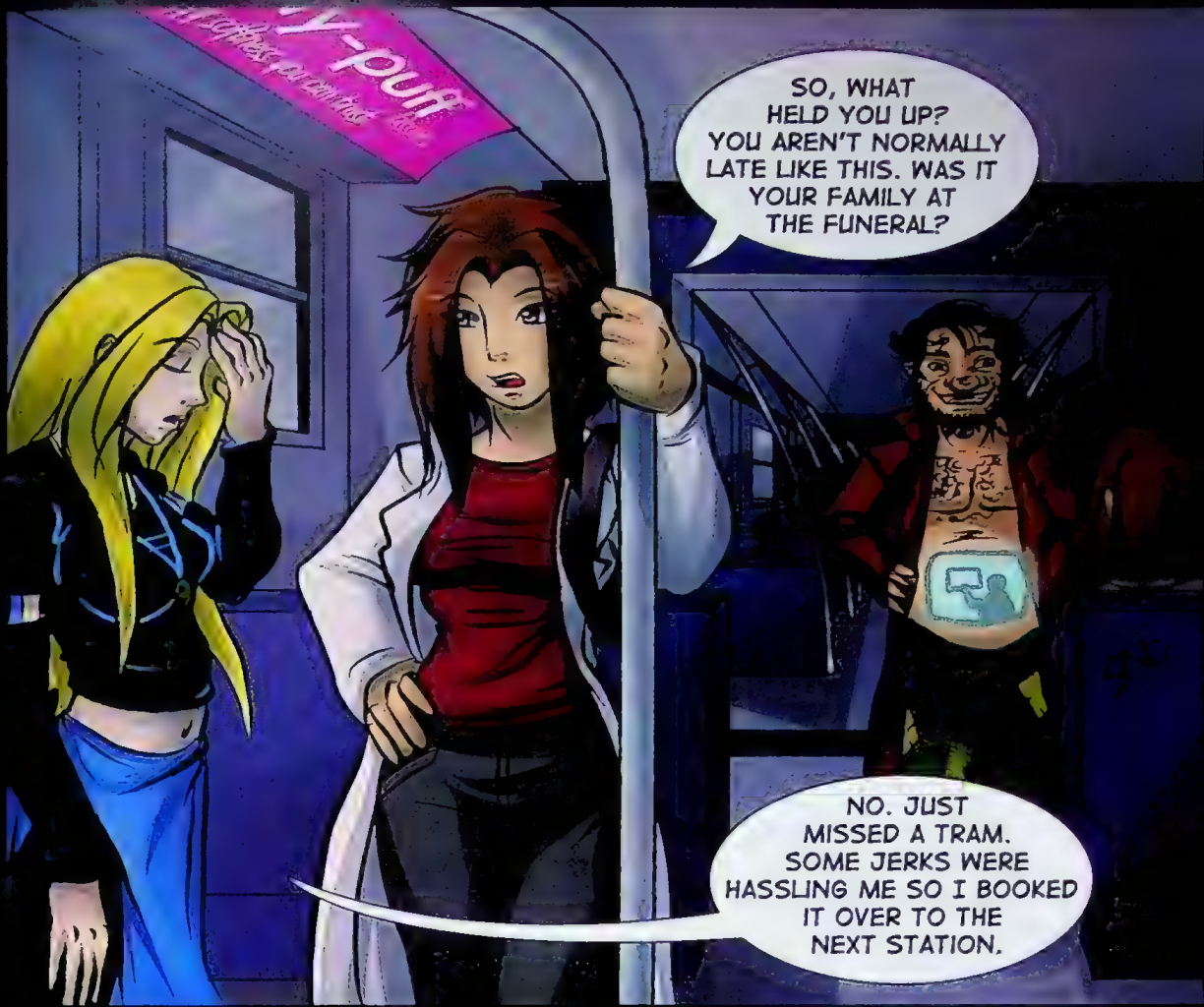


KARMA HAS MORE POWER THAN YOU THINK.

AND RIGHT NOW HE'S PISSED.

WOULD YOU STOP QUESTIONING EVERYTHING I SAY AND JUST FRIGGEN DO WHAT YOU'RE TOLD FOR ONCE, X?

JUST DO WHAT HE SAYS. YOU MIGHT LIVE LONGER.



SO, WHAT
HELD YOU UP?
YOU AREN'T NORMALLY
LATE LIKE THIS. WAS IT
YOUR FAMILY AT
THE FUNERAL?

NO. JUST
MISSED A TRAM.
SOME JERKS WERE
HASSLING ME SO I BOOKED
IT OVER TO THE
NEXT STATION.



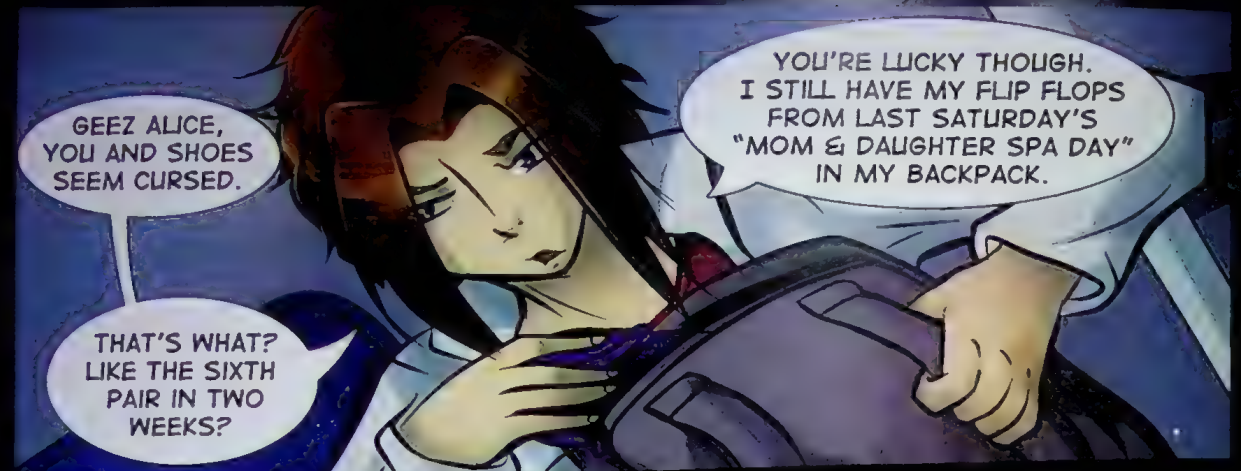
ALICE, I KEEP
TELLING YOU THAT
YOU GOTTA STAND UP
TO BULLIES OR THEY'LL
WALK ALL OVER YOU.

BUT I'VE GOT
TO ASK...



WHAT HAPPENED
TO YOUR SHOES?


OH... YEAH.
MY SANDLES
BROKE WHEN I
WAS RUNNING.



GEEZ ALICE,
YOU AND SHOES
SEEM CURSED.

THAT'S WHAT?
LIKE THE SIXTH
PAIR IN TWO
WEEKS?

YOU'RE LUCKY THOUGH.
I STILL HAVE MY FLIP FLOPS
FROM LAST SATURDAY'S
"MOM & DAUGHTER SPA DAY"
IN MY BACKPACK.




THE LAST THING
WE NEED IS TO GET
KICKED OFF BY THE
TRAMCOPS FOR
"INAPPROPRIATE
FOOTWEAR"

WHAT THE
HELL IS *GLOWING*
ON YOUR ARM?

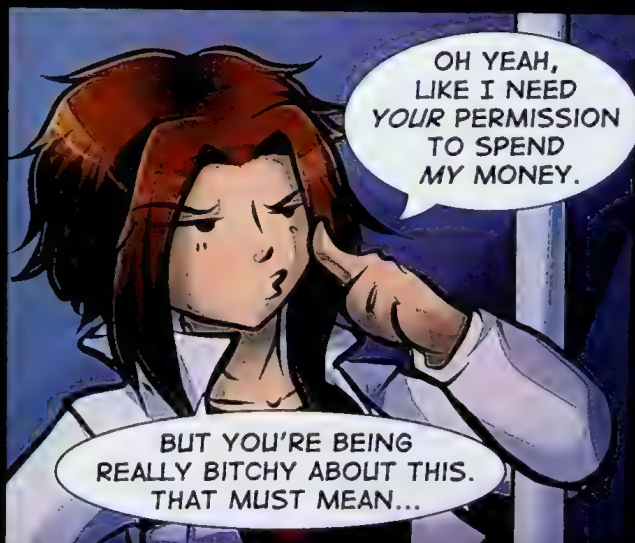
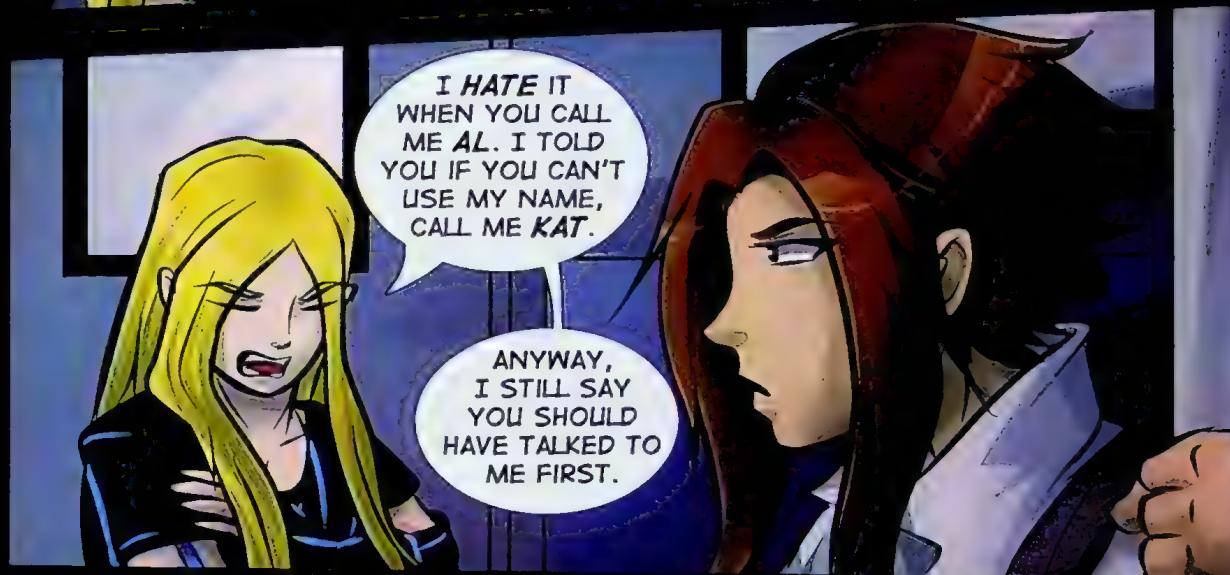
OH THIS?
MY NEW DERMATECH
NEROWATCH! MY
LITTLE BIRTHDAY
PRESENT TO
MYSELF.

IT'S THE NEWEST
MODEL. ALL THE
BEST FEATURES.
EVEN A BIOMONITOR!
COOL, HUH?



WHY IN THE HELL
WOULD YOU PUT SOMETHING
LIKE THIS IN YOURSELF?

OH DO **NOT**
TELL ME YOU'RE
ONE OF THOSE
CYBERPHOBE
WEIRDOS.





YOU HAVE THAT THING
RIGHT? THAT CONDITION
WHERE YOU CAN'T
GET IMPLANTS?

REMEMBER THAT
TIME IN JUNIOR HIGH
YOU TRIED TO GET
THOSE *MOOD*
HAIR IMPLANTS?

IT'S CALLED
REJECTION.
MY BODY IS
SENSITIVE.

BUT THAT'S
NOT THE
POINT.

YOUR HAIR
GREW BACK PRETTY
QUICK THOUGH
NOW I THINK
ABOUT IT.


I STILL
KNOW WHERE
YOU SLEEP!

IF YOU EVER
TALK ABOUT THIS
AGAIN, I WILL *MURDER*
YOU. DEAD. VERY,
VERY DEAD.



THE NEXT STOP IS -- SHADE CITY EDUCATION COMPLEX.





WAY TO GO
KARMA. WE LOST THEM.
NOW HOW ARE WE SUPPOSED
TO GET THAT **STUPID**
CAT'S NECKLACE?

IT'S NOT LIKE
WE CAN GO
AND OPENLY
FIGHT A SHIFTER
IN A PUBLIC
PLACE LIKE A
SCHOOL. HELL
THERE'S PROBABLY
MORE FURBALLS
IN THERE.

I KNOW THAT.

WELL, THEN
WHAT'S THE
PLAN?

WE CAN'T GO
AFTER **DOROTHY**...

SO WE'LL
GO AFTER **TOTO**
AND SHE'LL
COME TO US.

END CHAPTER 1

ONE BADASS WIZARD WITH A BIG PROBLEM.

MEET DARSHE.

HE'S A RUDE, EGOTISTICAL, HANDSOME, AND OBSCENELY POWERFUL MAGE WHO HAS SPENT THE BETTER PART OF 150 YEARS CRUSHING KINGDOMS UNDER HIS MYSTICALLY POWERED BOOTS. THE MAGE WHO BECAME KNOWN AS 'THE DESTROYER' WAS FAMOUS (OR INFAMOUS) FOR HIS ABILITY TO WIELD THE FORBIDDEN BEHENNON FORCE AND HIS SEEMING INABILITY TO DIE.

UNFORTUNATELY FOR HIM, THE MONKS OF LASEL, HAVE TAKEN A SHINE TO OUR FOUL-MOUTHED PROTAGONIST.

HOWEVER, DARSHE ISN'T ABOUT TO GO QUIETLY TO EVIL WIZARD REHAB.

BRYMSTONE

BY MARIETARY

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HERE THERE BE MONSTERS

In the not-so-far future, there exist two worlds. The world that people know, and the world of the Veil which lies hidden in the shadows.

The secret world of the Veil harbors the monsters thought lost to time, secretly alive and well in the dark places of the isolated megalopolis, Shade City. Among the towers of glass and steel, a centuries old war between the vampires and the Shifters silently rages.

Now, the conflict has come to a new player. A young werecat named Alice, who recently inherited a necklace that her brother died protecting.

But the vampires are ruthless, and everyone, including Alice's friends are at risk. Friends such as Ferrah, a human girl ignorant of the Veil and its dangers.

Neither of them could have known that this would lead to a destiny that would shake the very foundations of the Veil and the world itself.



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